(c) to (e) Land for construction of the unit has been acquired and possession given to Andhra Pradesh Automobile Tyres and Tubes Ltd. There has been delay in implementation because it took time for the party to finalise arrangements for technical collaboration/ know-how. However, a Memorandum of Understanding to implement the project has now been signed with M/s. Foremost Rubber Ltd., Delhi as Co-promoters. The copromoter company has signed an MOU with a Japan based renowned manufacturer of Tyres and Tubes for securing the requisite know-how and a Technical Team of the Foreign Collaborator has already visited the Copromoter company in the 2nd week of November 1992.

मैसर्स स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड द्वारा स्कूटरों का उत्पादन

652. **श्री राम प्रदेश यादव** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1992-93 और 1993-94 के दौरान मैसर्स स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड द्वारा स्कूटरों के उत्पादन के निर्धारित लक्ष्य का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) मैसर्स स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड द्वारा विनिर्मित दुपहिया और तिपहिया वाहनों की कुल कितनी मांग है और क्या मांग के अनुसार उत्पादन हो रहा है; और

(ग) मैसर्स स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड द्वारा विनिर्मित स्कूटरों के उत्पादन में वृद्धि करने और इनके डिजाइनों में सुधार करने से संबंधित ब्लैम-कनि से प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है ?

उद्योग मंत्रालय (भारी उद्योग विभाग और लोक उद्यम विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. के. थुंगन) : (क) वर्ष 1992-93 और 1993-94 के दौरान मैसर्स स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड द्वारा स्कूटरों के उत्पादन के संशोधित निर्धारित लक्ष्यों का ब्यौरा निम्न प्रकार है :—

स्कूटर्स	1992-93	1993-94
दु-पहिए	2050	2700
ति-पहिए	3850	4600

(ख) स्वदेशी बाजार में दुपहियों और तिपहियों की मांग बहुत कम है । कम्पनी उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य में निजी बसों के चलने के कारण मांग में कमी का सामना कर रही है। स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड दूसरे राज्यों के स्वदेशी बाजारों में तथा तिपहियों के लिए विदेशी बाजारों में अपना स्थान बनाने हेतु प्रयासरत है ।

(ग) स्कूटर्स इण्डिया लिमिटेड 18-5-1992 को वित्तीय पुनर्गठन बोर्ड को प्रेषित किया गया था । वित्तीय पुनर्गठन बोर्ड के निदेशों के अनुसार, कम्पनी के लिए एक जीवनक्षम योजना तैयार करने के लिए एक परामर्शी को नियुक्त किया गया है ताकि यह योजना वित्तीय पुनर्गठन बोर्ड के माध्यम से प्रचालन एजेन्सी को प्रस्तुत की जा सके ।

Clearance of proposals for manufacturing of car by the Genera] Motors

653. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

fa) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating further liberalisation of foreign investment policy;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Foreign Investment Production Board has cleared the proposals of General Motors for manufacturing passenger cars, in India; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) :

(a) and (b) Further liberalisation of foreign investment policy is a continuing process.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Government have approved the proposal of M/s. Hindustan Motors Co., Calcutta to set up a new joint venture with M/s. General Motors Corpn., USA for development and export of automotive components and manufacture of

state-of-the-art fuel efficient passenger cars. This involves a foreign equity participation of *30%* (Rs. 78 crores) on the part of M/s. General Motors Corporation, USA.

Adverse effect of economic liberalisation on small scale industries

654. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 9th November, 1992 to the effect that the liberalised economic policies are having a "crippling effect" on the medium and small scale sector units as large scale imports of low value products are pushing smaller units slowly out of market;

(b) whether the All India Manufacturers' Organisation in its study "Dual effect of liberalisation policies and its impact on the medium and small sector" has accused Government of succumbing before the pressure of global lending agencies like the World Bank; and

(c) if so, what are demands of All India Manufacturers' Organisation in this regard and in what manner Government propose to help the smaller units to save them from "unfair world competition" and by "India becoming a dumping ground for goods from the advanced countries" as alleged in the study report of All India Manufacturers' organisation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. J. KURIEN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The facts are being ascertained from All India Manufacturers' Organisation.

Poor Collection from Disinvestment of PSU Shares

655. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a poor collection from the disinvestment of the shares of Public Undertakings during the current financial year;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government propose to review the situation for further disinvestment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES) (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Reconsideration of disinvestment plan for PSU equities

656. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to reconsider their current disinvestment plans for allowing the public sector undertakings to expand their respective equity base through direct public offers; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTER PRISES) (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) and (b) The cases of individual enterprise going for expanding their equity base is decided on selective basis and on merits. This does not affect Government's plans for disinvestment of Public Sector shares.

लघु उद्योगों के लिए नई प्रौद्योगिकी

657. श्री महेन्द्र सिंह लाठर : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार लघु उद्योगों हेतु नई प्रौद्योगिकी के आधुनिकीकरण और विकास पर कोई विशेष जोर दे रहे हैं;